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Field Crops

Cotton conditions remain fair to excellent. Harvesting is 68 percent complete, behind last year at 82 percent, and behind the five year average of 81 percent. Most alfalfa is in fair to excellent condition. Harvesting is active on almost two-thirds of the State's acreage. Range and pasture conditions vary from very poor to good. Last year at this time, 85 percent were very poor to poor. Currently 36 percent are very poor to poor.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped bok choy, cabbage, cantaloupes, Chinese cabbage, cilantro, honeydews, kale greens, and parsley this week.

Western Arizona growers shipped arugula, bok choy, broccoli, cabbage, cantaloupes, cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, cilantro, endive, escarole, frisee, honeydews, kale greens, Boston, green leaf, iceberg, red leaf, romaine, and other lettuce, miscellaneous melons, parsley, radicchio, and spinach.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
	- Percent -						
Alfalfa	-	12	23	30	35		
Range and Pasture	19	17	27	31	6		
Cotton Condition	-	1	26	47	26		

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.		
	- Percent -					
Cotton						
Harvested	68	63	82	81		

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly below average across the State for the week ending December 5, ranging from 6 degrees below normal at Douglas/Bisbee to 3 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon and Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 83 degrees at

Marana. The lowest reading at -4 degrees occurred at Flagstaff. Precipitation was recorded in 5 of the 22 stations this week. Phoenix received the least at 0.01 inches of precipitation and Flagstaff received the most at 0.18 inches.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
November 29, 2010 - December 5, 2010								
	Temperature				Precipitation			
					Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal
Aguila	50	1	75	24	0.00	9.6	1.06	112
Buckeye	52	-3	76	29	0.00	7.28	0.47	107
Canyon De Chelly	34	-2	62	8	0.00	10.5	1.46	116
Coolidge	50	-3	81	17	0.00	7.64	1.05	116
Douglas	43	-6	72	11	0.00	9.76	-2.77	78
Flagstaff	31	-1	57	-4	0.18	24.49	3.71	118
Grand Canyon	32	3	58	0	0.02	15.46	-3.13	83
Kingman	42	-4	68	17	0.00	7.02	-1.97	78
Marana	55	2	83	25	0.00	8.43	-0.95	90
Maricopa	49	-3	75	21	0.00	7.71	1.48	124
Paloma	51	-4	80	23	0.00	4.69	-0.6	89
Parker	49	-5	71	28	0.00	4.28	1.06	133
Payson	40	-3	64	15	0.00	19.04	-1.13	94
Phoenix	56	-2	76	35	0.01	8.07	1.26	119
Prescott	41	3	68	16	0.00	12.87	-5.43	70
Roll	50	-4	74	25	0.00	3.64	0.87	131
Safford	43	-4	71	14	0.00	10.63	1.76	120
St. Johns	35	-3	67	6	0.02	8.1	-2.62	76
Tucson	53	-2	81	23	0.00	10.76	-0.32	97
Willcox	42	-3	72	16	0.00	13.22	1.42	112
Winslow	36	-2	63	12	0.02	5.89	-1.59	79
Yuma	55	-4	73	35	0.00	3.84	1.07	139
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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